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STARTS ON TRIP

Basketball Team Leaves On the Northwestern.

The basket ball team left over the Northwestern yesterday morning on its first trip. Last night and tonight it plays in Sioux City against the Sioux City Y. M. C. A. and against Morning-side College, a new opponent of the University in athletics. Tomorrow it plays the Minneapolis Christians and winds up the trip Friday evening with a contest with our old enemy, the University of Minnesota. We have never succeeded in beating Minnesota in basket ball, and their team this year seems to at least equal those of the past. On an extended trip through the east, the team defeated Cornell and such big schools, and if the boys lower the colors of the Gophers Friday they can indeed feel proud. It was doubtful up to the very last whether Hewitt who was captain and center last year, would accompany the team or not, but he finally succeeded in arranging his work so that he could do so, and the team now feels that it has some chance to win from our northern neighbor. The line up in all the games will be: Elliot (captain) and Hagensick, forwards; Hewitt, center; Hoar and Benedict, guards. Newton, accompanies the team as substitute guard and umpire.

There is still hope that the team may make another western trip this year. The Colorado colleges have taken a much greater interest this year in basket ball than was the case last season, and Cheyenne, which has just defeated three Colorado teams, and the University of Utah, is anxious to show that their victory last year was no accident.

Class basket ball begins Friday with a double game. The Seniors and the Freshmen will play, and the Sophomores will attempt to put the Juniors out of the race. It is generally admitted that the Sophomores will defeat their opponents, but the other game is very doubtful. The Freshmen excell individually, and their team work is improving, but the Seniors have the advantage of playing together against the first team, and the odds favor them somewhat.

Tomorrow night our Faculty and second teams journey to Wesleyan, where they play the Wesleyan faculty and the Wesleyan Juniors respectively. Both University teams have defeated their opponents in the Armory, but Wesleyan will have the advantage of their own floor, so some hard games are assured. Everybody who can do so should accompany our teams as rooters.

Saturday afternoon a large squad turned out for the first outdoor baseball practice. A number of last year's team limbered up, among them Jimmie Beltzer, the star pitcher, who is rapidly rounding into form. Steen at third, played a very good game for early season, and will doubtless win a place on the team.

The vaulting pole which broke yesterday during the star performance of Benedict has behind it a great history. It was initiated into the athletic arena at the first state high school meet a number of years ago and since that time it has held an unbroken record in every athletic contest. With its past records have been steadily raised in the inter-high school, university and Missouri valley meets. It was used by the Lincoln high school boys in the interstate high school contests twice at St. Joseph, once at Kansas City and once in Lincoln. On all occasions it has bravely stood the test of indoor and outdoor exercises of the university and once in its history it was carried by one boy to the University of Kansas. Benedict, the athlete hero who went down with the broken segments, was only trusting the weapon with which he had accomplished many unparalleled achievements. Through

the six years of his athletic career he has used no other and he must certainly mourn the loss of a boon companion. To those who were acquainted with its history its long life and valuable service not much surprise was shown when they heard that the old stand-by retired from the field.

PROGRESS ON SCHEDULE

Game Fixed With Minnesota and Other Arrangements Made.

During the past week matters have been steadily pushed in arranging a baseball schedule and Manager Bell has a number of important announcements to make. A game has been secured with Minnesota for April 29th. This is the result of extended negotiations, at one phase of which it looked as if it would be impossible to arrange a game at all. Our manager in the first place tried to arrange for two games. The matter was taken up by the Minnesota manager before the athletic board, but they decided adversely, and it seemed that everything was off. But Manager Bell negotiating further succeeded in arranging for one game, which certainly strengthens the schedule of the team's eastern trip.

As a substitution for the other games an extra one will be played with Luther College at Decorah, Ia., one having been previously scheduled with that institution. The team will probably play at Des Moines or with Grinnell, but this has not been definitely decided upon yet.

Notre Dame is an old friend of ours on the eastern trip, but it is doubtful as yet if a game with her can be arranged. On the day before the date we would like she meets Michigan, and on the day after, Northwestern. This would entail quite a strain, and Notre Dame is slow about risking it.

There will be no game with Illinois, which institution always has one of the strongest college teams in the country. The proposition though that Illinois offers, is not such as one as we would like to accept. They offer to play their second team against us, reinforced by two professionals who have played league ball, one having pitched for Des Moines last summer. Manager Bell has concluded that we would rather not, so we will not meet our strong eastern rival on the diamond this year. Games will also be played with Lombard and Knox. The schedule on the return trip has not been determined upon. The team may return over the Northwestern and play Grinnell and other Iowa colleges or it may return over the Burlington. The Minnesota game, together with the games arranged with Chicago give strength and balance to the schedule. These will be the big games, although some hard opposition is expected from the other institutions. Two years ago our team brought back the Gopher scalp as a memento of Letherby's great box-work. Chicago has always taken our measure, and our team would not object to winning a game from her just to change the custom.

On the 5th, 6th and 7th, the Omaha league team will pay us their annual visit. We have strong hopes of making them divide up again this year. The great game, though, will be with the Chicago National league team, on April 12th, if it can be arranged. Such a game would draw the crowd and be quite a money-making affair, and it is to be hoped that our team may have the pleasure of meeting the big leaguers. The other games here will be with the Nebraska Indians, the Cubans, Grinnell and South Dakota. All dates will be announced later, after all dates have been definitely arranged.

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ANOTHER LETTER

One of Circulators of Soph Petition Expresses Views.

Editor of The Nebraskan:

In your paper of the 13th there appeared an article written by Mr. Marvin, setting forth his ideas upon the matter now at issue in the Sophomore class. He made several statements which were false, but were probably made through ignorance of the subject upon which he wrote. In the first place he stated that the matter of changing the manner of electing the Sombrero board was being pushed by members of the defeated faction in the last election. This statement I wish to correct. The petition published in The Nebraskan on the 12th inst. was started by a supporter of Mr. Smith in the election, and as this person never expected and would not have taken under any consideration any position on the Sombrero board I fail to see where the element of "sore-headedness" enters in. There are many supporters of Mr. Smith whose names are on the petition. I also want to state here and state it absolutely that this is neither a Rhubesky-Smith fight nor a bar-fraternity fight, but it is a fight for square dealing and open handedness in the Sombrero. The matter was taken up because it is fully believed that there is less chance for corruption and the running of grafts upon a large number of men than upon one man. It is only just, too, that in a matter of such vital importance to the class and the University that the members of the class should know whom they are voting for as editor-in-chief. Then again the Sombrero represents the whole University and wherever it goes it stands as a type of what is supposed to be the very best in the University. Can we then afford to leave any opening by which the Sombrero becomes but a money making deal for a few "shrewd" grafters?

The best men of the Sophomore class should have it and not the men with the strongest pull. For the sake of the honor of the Junior class and the Varsity let the Sophomore class lay aside class and society prejudices and even personal likes and dislikes and pull together for the best in the University for our Sombrero.

If the President had the best interest of the class at heart and not his personal interest, if the members of the temporarily appointed board wanted only to help in bringing forth a book which would be a credit to the real greatness and grandness that I believe exists in this University, why don't they bring the matter up before the class and let the class decide. They surely could trust to the intelligence and honor of the class to elect them if they are the best men. The president was assured that if his candidates were the best, after consultation with the chancellor and the English department, they would be supported by the men backing the petition.

The question then, as it stands before the class, is: Shall we, as members of the Sophomore class elect the Sombrero board, which is a matter of vital interest to each of us and to the school, or should we confess our inability by putting this upon another's shoulders, and at the same time risk the reputation of ourselves and of our school by giving more chance for the running of a graft?

There is nothing personal in this fight but it is a fight for principle and for the establishment of a precedent which I ardently hope will work a reform in the quality of the Sombrero. We appeal to all square, right-minded Sophomores to support us by coming to the meeting and voting for the measure presented by us, as it is entirely for the best interests of the class we are working, and not for any personal benefit.

J. C. MOORE.

ORDER OF PLACES.

Order and Date of Candidates in Preliminary Allotted.

The following is the order in which the candidates in the preliminary contests will debate. This order was decided by lot:

FIRST NIGHT.

Negative side in order drawn:
Lee, first.
Milek, second.
Black, third.
Waldron, fourth.
Mogan, fifth.
Sawyer, sixth.
Lewis, seventh.
Driscoll, eighth.
Affirmative side, order drawn:
Lightner, first.
Moore, second.
Adneron, third.
Levy, fourth.
Kimmel, fifth.

SECOND NIGHT.

Negative side, order drawn:
Zook, first.
Brookings, second.
Sunderlin, third.
Mohrman, fourth.
Johnson, fifth.
McReynolds, sixth.
Meyers, seventh.
Buckner, eighth.
Affirmative side, order drawn:
Brady, first.
Clark, second.
Wilburn, third.
James, fourth.

The debating board meets this morning at 10 to decide on judges and time for preliminaries. It was planned to hold the preliminaries Friday and Saturday evenings, but owing to a meeting of the Graduate club some other time, Monday and Tuesday, probably, may be decided upon.

Academy Notes.

The Lincoln Academy News will be ready for distribution Thursday morning. It will appear in an enlarged form—three columns wide and ten inches long. The material offered and the generous advertising make this desirable improvement possible—at least for this issue. Dr. R. E. Moritz has an article and there is also an interesting glimpse of Russia from the pen of William J. Bryan, jr. This is Mr. Bryan's first literary venture, and it is attracting the attention of the Daily Star, which has asked permission to reprint it. There is also a poem by A. L. Beekly, and two literary criticisms by O. O. Wood and Miss Lila Le Gore. These extra features, together with the usual contributions of the regular reporters, make an unusually interesting issue. Watch for the paper.

The debating men adjourned their session last Friday evening in order to note the methods employed in the inter-scholastic debate at the Lincoln high school auditorium. Now they are in trouble over a conflict occurring next Friday evening between their adjourned meeting and the basket ball game between the Academy girls and the Lincoln Y. W. C. A. team. Shall they in the interests of fine debate go forward in the stern line of duty or shall they capitulate to the young women. It is hardly a question of Intellect vs. Beauty, for the young women claim that it takes brains to play a good game; rather it should be called Duty vs. Inclination. Any one acquainted with human nature can foretell the result.

The Social Hour club held an enjoyable social hour last Friday afternoon at Mrs. Hodgman's home. Miss Katherine Kimball gave a fine piano solo, Miss Eleanor Barbour a flute selection, and Misses Virginia De Steiguer and Lila Le Gore played a piano duet. Refreshments were served by a committee of ten, of which Miss Cornelia Lindsey was chairman.